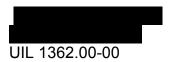


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Taxpayer:

Dear

This letter is in response to your letter, dated May 23, 2003, seeking a private letter ruling to obtain retroactive S corporation relief back to August 1, 1999. We spoke with the Cincinnati Service Center Entity Classification Department and were informed that Taxpayer is already classified as an S corporation, effective August 1, 1999. As such, we are closing this matter since you are no longer in need of relief to file a late election to be treated as an S corporation.

We appreciate this opportunity to provide you with assistance. If you have further questions, please contact us at (202) 622-3050 (not a toll free number).

Sincerely,

/s/ Dianna K. Miosi

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